

21 September 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: RECORD

SUBJECT : [REDACTED] 25X1A

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1. [REDACTED] showed the undersigned a proposed memorandum to the DD/A concerning the above project. The memorandum pointed out that they wished to authorize the Logistics engineer who is going to [REDACTED] to enter into a contract for laying foundations for additional space to house equipment and personnel [REDACTED]. The cost of the foundations was estimated at \$6,000. The memorandum stated that it could be absorbed by Communications.

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2. The proposed memorandum further stated that the purpose of the foundations would be to enable the actual construction to start as soon as the rainy season had subsided. The rainy season starts sometime in October and lasts for about three months. The real hooker in the proposal is that the budget item for this construction in the amount of [REDACTED] had been deleted as a result of pressure on all Agency components to defer those projects which did not need a priority action. [REDACTED] was quite aware of this, which was the real reason he brought the matter up.

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3. In discussing the problem, it appeared that the additional personnel of the project [REDACTED] will not begin arriving on the scene for another six to eight months. The equipment as such will not create an emergency space problem. It was suggested to [REDACTED] that rather than seek a Bureau of the Budget approval for use of reserve funds, request should probably lay over until January or February and at that time either Communications or the Agency as a whole would be in a better position to know whether either could absorb the cost.

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[REDACTED] thought this was probably the best procedure and indicated that he would so recommend to [REDACTED].

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